

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) Electromotive drive comprising:

a housing having a shaft support, in which the shaft of a rotor is rotationally mounted;

5 a stator having drive windings, said stator being traversed and retained by the shaft support, whereby the stator is substantially retained in only a transversal direction by the shaft support and is connected with the remaining housing for transmission of torque in rotationally 10 fixed manner; and

a base plate ~~upon which supporting~~ the stator ~~is~~ arranged relative to the housing, said base plate being fastened to the housing and formed as a punched-out grid whereby transmission of a torque moment from the stator to 15 motor housing occurs solely via the base plate fastened in the housing.

2.-10. (Canceled)

11. (Currently Amended) An electromotive drive comprising:

a housing having an upwardly extending shaft support;

a base plate attached to the housing;

5 a stator surrounding the shaft support and ~~said stator further~~ being attached to the base plate exclusively and

without connection to the housing whereby torque transmission occurs from the stator to the housing through the base plate;

10 a shaft rotatably arranged within the shaft support; and,

a rotor attached to the shaft and surrounding the stator.

12. (Previously Amended) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 11, further including a resilient member disposed between an inner wall of the stator and an outer wall of the shaft support whereby a gap is created between 5 the stator and the shaft support.

13. (Previously Amended) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 12, further including a viscous medium disposed in the gap.

14. (Previously Amended) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 12, wherein the coupling includes grease material disposed in the gap.

15. (Previously Amended) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 12, further including at least one flexible element which bridges the gap.

16. (Previously Amended) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 15, wherein the at least one flexible element includes a vibration damping element.

17. (Previously Amended) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 15, wherein:

grooves are provided in the outer wall of the shaft support; and,

5 the at least one flexible element includes an O-ring retained in said grooves.

18. (Previously Amended) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 11, wherein the base plate includes torque coupling means disposed adjacent the base plate for torque coupling between the base plate and the housing.

19. (Canceled)

20. (Previously Added) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 17, wherein the base plate further includes a punched-out grid.

21. (Previously Amended) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 20, wherein the torque coupling means further includes at least one conductor tract of the punched-out grid.

22. (Previously Amended) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 21, wherein the conductor tract additionally serves for establishing electrical contact between the housing and the stator.

23. (Previously Amended) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 22, wherein the base plate further includes a plastic extrusion coating.

**24.** (Currently Amended) An electromotive drive comprising:

a housing;  
a shaft support extending from said housing;  
5 a base plate directly attached to the housing;  
a stator spaced apart from the shaft support defining a gap therebetween, the stator being directly attached to the base plate and not directly attached to the housing exclusively through said base plate;  
10 a shaft rotatably disposed within the shaft support;  
a rotor attached with the shaft; and  
a resilient member disposed between the stator and the shaft support.

**25.** (Previously Amended) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 24, wherein the resilient member includes a viscous medium disposed in the gap.

**26.** (Previously Amended) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 24, wherein the resilient member includes at least one O-ring arranged in the gap.

**27.** (Previously Amended) The electromotive drive as set forth in claim 24, wherein the resilient member includes a vibration damping means for damping vibrations of said stator.

**28.** (Currently Amended) A pump motor, operative in conjunction with a pump for a hydraulic system of a motor vehicle, the pump motor comprising:

a housing including an elongate shaft support;  
5       a stator surrounding the shaft support;  
      a base plate connecting providing a sole connection  
between the stator with and the housing to provide and  
providing dampening between the stator and the housing;  
      a shaft rotatable within the shaft support;  
10      a rotor attached with the shaft; and  
      a flexible coupling disposed between the stator and the  
      shaft support.

29. (Previously Amended) The pump motor as set forth  
in claim 28, wherein:

      the stator and the shaft support together define a gap  
therebetween; and

5       the coupling is disposed within the gap.